LOCAL NEWS.

For a good merschaum, go to H. Meyers'. ti Century Tobacco at cost, at H. Meyers', ti W. E. Garrett's celebrated Scotch Snuff can

be bought at \$15 00 per box, at H. Meyers'. tf We are glad to hear that Judge Hodges, who has been seriously sick, is convalescing.

A spacious, and very substantial three story brick business house is being erected on the corner of 18th and Levee streets. It will be occupied as a saloon and boarding house.

Mr. H. M. Hulen and Mr. George D. Williamson have our thanks for appropriate and very acceptable Christmas presents-contributions to our Christmas board that were duly

A valuable watch will be raffled for this evening at the Vicksburg House. We mention this matter because the proceeds are for the benefit of Mrs. Martin Egan-an old resident and a deserving lady-who is in very straitened circumstances. The money will be a god-send to her and her needy children.

The walls of the new custom house have been raised to a point a story and a half above the basement. There is a sufficiency of dressed stone on hand, we understand, to complete the other half of the second. Only six or eight thousand dollars of the last appropriation remain unconsumed; but as it will probabiy be among the earliest acts of the present congress to appropriate a \$100,000 to the work, operations will likely be continued without any pecuniary interruption.

On this page we publish the address delivered by Miss Mary Hendricks, Christmas night, during the German school celebration in the M. E. Church. The little Miss (who is, by the way, the daughter of our fellow-townsman, E. B. Hendricks, esq.) acquitted herself in a style that elicited the praise of all present. The delivery was clear. confident, and free from that sing-song intonation so common in the recitations of children. Read the address.

The members of the German Lutheran church held a very pleasant re-union at their church building, on Christmas Eve. The attendance was large and the ceremonies highly interesting. The Christmas tree was the largest and most elegant one brought to the city-having been brought from Nashville, (where it had flourished seven years) at a considerable expense to the society. The Sabbath school children were loaded with presents, and no one left the building without some evidence of the liberality and good cheer of the German Lutherans.

Joe Vermulin, the Illinois billiard champion, is in the city. His wonderful dexterity with the cue no doubt entitles him to the distinction he claims. With unfailing certainty he makes a carom from one table to another; he contests successfully with the three best players in the city; he plays with the best of these, counting nothing when his run falls short of one hundred.

It is probable that Mr. Vermulin may be induced to give the public an exhibition of his wonderful skill during his stay in the city, and should he do so, where is the hall that would hold the spectators?

part of the Bulletin for a department of to Esquire Shannessy under the mistaken "Wants," wherein a "Want Advertisement" of two lines, will be inserted one time for the the squire informs us is a fair sample of the trifling sum of fifteen cents and the same amount for each subsequent insertion.

This arrangement places it within the reach of the poorest laborer or house-girl to make known his or her wants to every reading person, man, woman and child, in the

Be it remembered, then, that fifteen cents will pay for an advertisement in the 'Bulletin' that will be read by everybody, and that will secure situations for the laborer, the mechanic, the book-keeper, the cook, the chambermaid, the walter, the hostler-employment, in short for those of every named trade or calling.

gether. Our friend The W. officiating as peace-maker, is assaulted and retaliates. Big darkey makes terrifichinge at Ike's assailant, misses his sim and lifts. The about ten feet, Alderman G, living in the vicinity, here appeared on the scene of action with a carbine, and would have smale short work with the peace-breakers, had not friends interposed and prevented. He had been termented beyoud all endurance by scenes of which that of vesterday was but a sample. One of the colored offenders, Anderson Harris, was arrested, taken before Hross, fined \$10, and went to jail. The other, a young colored giant from St. Louis, and the same who struck Mr. W., made his escape.

A warrant is in the hands of an officer for the arrest of the keeper of the house where the fuse originated. The result will be reported in our next issue.

THE GERMAN SCHOOL CELEBRATION. The celebration by the children of the Cairo German school yesterday evening drew out an immense concourse of citizens, and all were well paid for their attendance. Two large and beautiful Christmas trees bore bounteously of nick-nacks, which were distributed, together with fruits and confections, first among the children and then among the visitors. The pupils were the re cipients, each, of a fine percelain inkstand, and the little girls, each, of a beautiful workbox, of the same material-all imported directly from Germany.

Yielding considerable space to the address of little Miss Hendricks, we cannot indulge in the details of the affair, as it would please us to do. We can only add that everybody appeared to enjoy the occasion, but none so keefily as master Gustave Swoboda and miss Louisa Kobler, who, in a lottery for the Christmas trees, drew the lucky numbers.

Prof. Appel, the principal of the school, managed the affair in an easy and graceful manner, and is entitled to thanks for providing a pastime that all could enjoy, without money and without price.

GERMAN SCHOOL CELEBRATION Christmas Night, 1868 Greeting Pronounced by Miss Mary Hendricks.

Dear Friends :- Welcome here this Christmas night! Welcome to our Christmas tree! Once more the shining glittering pine calls us together to-night, after a time-honored German custom, in order to commemorate that happy event of over eighteen hundred years ago-the birth of that child, which was destined to restore to poor and suffering mankind all it had lost-light, virtue and freedom. A green and ever-flourishing tree was chosen as a symbol to represent all the facts and benign results connected with the advent of Christ. The green tree indicates strength and life. For although a child of the cold and chilling north, exposed to rigid winter storms, to snow and ice, still it stands firm. and blooms, and grows So is our green tree a true symbol of Christ himself. He was born amid political strifes and struggles, among a people who knew but little about the adoration of the true God; yet with His appearance He brought to he world the true religion, the belief in one God. And in spite of persecution, torture and death, that faith has maintained the ground; it has flourished, and now almost conquered the earth. But our tree is also lighted, and that is only to indicate the divine light which so many centuries ago was shed upon benighted mankind. And the presents which your kindness spread around the tree for us children, makes us remember that great present which God gave to the world when he sent as His only beloved

So, then, we may see in our Christmas tree a true symbol of that great event, the anniversary of which all us together this eve. A German school my friends, in a foreign land inaugurates the calebration to-night. which shows us that he hight of truth was not brought in y world, for truth we now only oh a congle investigation and knowledge, an no nation and no tongue which he hated more to the development of tra nawledge and light than the Germans was almost univer-

lal language. I thank you now, dear then is and relatives, in my own mane, and tof my schoolmates, for the many n new which you have provided for us We children thank you all, my who have succeeded in so gracefully thing our celebration. And more especial was are grateful to the leaders of the Met aburch, who, by volunteering this poor of worship, have added to the important of our feast.

The interest which you have manifested in the existence and the advancement of the German Institute shall at anulate us to study more diligently, and a gather useful knowledge; and when, after mother year, we shall celebrate Christmas Ev more, we hope to prove by our progress in learning that your trouble and your baliness were not bestowed in vain.

THE POOR . PICTUL CASE.

The case of the poor has been a charge upon our county sall ariles that has outweighed all others. We happen to know something of the solutinde it has occasioned them and of their anxiety to provide for the needy, without too lavish an expenditure of the public means. Various plans have been tried, but all have failed of that completeness that would guard against individual instances We shall set aside space in a prominent of suffering. We append a letter, addresse notion that he is overseer of the poor, which appeals that reach him almost every day: Cairo December 22, 1818,

I take the liberty of informing you of my impoverished condition. My rations have been cut down so that I do not get enough to live upon. I address you as a friend of the poor. If you cannot assist me, you can tell me how I can obtain relief. They give me only seven or eight pounds of corn meal, one 1b. of coffee, one 1b. of sugar, no meat or anything else, for a week's subsistence. I have no clothes to keep me from freezing; I have no wood to make a fire, and it looks as if I will have to die of cold or starvation. I would come and see you, but I am too feeble for the walk, so I have prevailed upon a neighbor to write these few Negro rumpus vestorday, two negroes lock and belt each other soundly; large crowd pray God they may never become as poor, or suffer as I have suffered.

MRS. HANNAH LEE. The old woman from whom this appeal comes is averse, perhaps, to entering the Infirmary, having been accustomed to a home of her own, though bumble, for more than fifty years. She is now about seventy years old, has lived in Cairo during the past quarter of a century, and certainly has laims upon public sympathy. Will not some of our charitably disposed ladies or gentlemen see to it that she is provided with some coarse food and clothing and a stock of fuel? If our county authorities can reach the case, they will undoubtedly do so; but in the meantime the old creature might starve and die.

CAIRO AND OTHER PLACES.

The 'Bulletin' being the creature of less than a week's growth we are, of course, without any exchange list. The consequence is, much is said pro and con, of Cairo and its enterprises, which escapes our observation. This must serve as an explanation, if any guantlet thrown down for us, remains untouched.

A friend has placed us in possession of an article from the Paducah 'Herald,' touching Cairo projects, which we shall notice in our

It is quite natural that the denizens of those burgs that are frequently locked out from the world by ice or low water like St. Louis, Paducah, etc., sdould be in a bad humor; but it by no means follows that they should vent their spite on Cairo because she is situated more fortunately.

There is no ordinance in force for the protection of our lamp posts. Dray No. 57 ran against one yesterday (unavoidable we suppose) and knocked its head of. Had the damage been the result of carelessness, however, the city would have no remedy. Our city fathers should make a note of this.

A number of our Mound City neighbors were in town this p.m., having availed themselves of the opportunity the prevailing snow affords to show off their fine stock and graceful "cutters."

TAXES FOR 1868.

The tax book is now in my hands and I shall immediately proceed to the collection of the taxes charged therein. For that purpose I shall attend at my office in the court house from half past 8 o'clock, a.m. until 4 o'clock, p.m. L. H. MYERS, Sheriff and ex-officio collector Alexander county.

DOWN UPON THEM. It has been shrewdly suspected for some time that there are two or three gambling dens, in the city, which hitherto have escaped the attention of the public. Proof of this multiplying, and pointing very decidedly to one establishment, the mayor and chief of police determined upon a descent. Making it, they were not a little astonished to find a considerable number of prominent and unsuspected citizens in the room, participating freely in the prevailing games of chance. Of course great consternation ensued-respectable citizens thought of the sting of exposure, and wished themselves a thousand miles away, or anywhere but right there. The mayor delivered a little speech, admonished them that they were violating an ordinance which it was his duty to enforce; that their example was most corrupting, and that nothing but a tender consideration for their families and their own good repute, hitherto, deterred him from an immediate and vigorous prosecution. He gave them warning, however, that here his leniency vould end; that a second offense and discovery would bring upon them the merited penalty, quick and to the full measure. The erowd dispersed somewhat chop-fallen, most of its members avering that they were mere lookers on, anyhow, and that this was their "first appearance."

GOOD! BETTER!! BEST!!!-CIGARS FOR THE MILLION!-I would call the special attention of dealers in general to my large and well selected stock. It embraces the finest brands the country can produce.

Having been practically connected with the trade for over fifteen years, it is not assuming too much to say that I can furnish the refined smoker with a cigar that can scarcely be equalled in delicacy of flavor by any imported articles to be found anywhere tf H. MEYERS. in the country.

The individual who, on Christmas eve, took it into his unwise head that he could smash water-pitchers over the heads of Cairo saloonkeepers with impunity, by this time, no doubt, realizes his error. He got "dressed off" in a scientific manner, was taxed five dollars for the pitcher and five more for marring the peace and dignity of the city.

Christmas turkeys, the largest and fattest to be found in the market, may be obtained from Mr. J. K. Frost, Ohio Levee. Call there and supply yourselves with this holiday luxury. He is affording unusual inducements alike in the superiority of his fowls and the low prices at which he sells them.

RIVER NEWS.

Port List for the Twenty-four Hours Ending at Two o'clock, P. M.

ARRIVALS.

Gen. Anderson, Columbias Columbian, St. Louis,
Tyrone Nashville.
Armada, Evansville,
Emus No. 3, N. 0.

Minneels, Memphis, Antelope, Hickman.

Antelope, Hickman.

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Quickstep, Evansville,

Glasgow, St. Louis, DEPARTURES. Gen. Anderson, Cole Thompson Dean, "Mary Houston, Armada, Evansville.

ama No. 3 Cincinnati. Columbian, Tennessee, Louisville. Old Winter presented Mother Earth with a covering of snow about four or five inches thick this morning, and those who were in

robust health sung, gleefully,

"Oh, the snow, the beautiful snow," while those who were suffering with neuralgia, rheumatish and toothache could not see it in that light. The boys laid up their skates, got out their sleds, and are having a gay old time. Steamboatmen look blue, even while sitting around ret-hot stoves in social halls, and are prophesying how long they will probably be compelled to lay up. It is astonishing how much diversity of opinion there is among them, notwithstanding the light of their many years experience.

The river here has risen seven inches since our last report, but will probably be stationary to-night.

The Mississippi is falling at St. Louis, after rising four feet. The ice is very heavy in that river.

Considerable lee has been floating out of the Ohio since yesterday morning, but it is soft and thin, and thus far offers no obstruction to navigation below Evansville. We have heard nothing very definite in regard to ice above that city since yesterday, but suppose it is very heavy, although not sufficiently so to obstruct navigation to Cincinnati.

The Ohio is stationary at Louisville, with six feet two inches water in the canal, four feet two inches in the schute over the falls, and three feet two inches over the rocks. Boats experienced much trouble in breaking through the ice formed in the canal, and it is probable that none can now pass through it. Those boats which cannot go over the falls will therefore be compelled to await a change in the weather. Quite

At Pittsburg the river is falling, and heavy

ice running out of the Alleghany. Business is, of course, rather dull under the influence of such weather. If the ice continues to obstruct navigation to St. Louis, however, we may look for lively times in regard to reshipments.

The Evansville packets are now doing a fair business, and generally have considerable freight for reshipment south.

The well-officered and comfortable steamer Camberland, Capt. Ben. Howard, is the regular mail and passenger packet for Evansville and all way landings on the Ohio this evening. Capt. Chas. T. Hinde is her agent.

The Emma No. 3, which passed up yesterday for Cincinnati, has 1000 sacks salt, 125 hhds sugar, 187 bbls molasses and a fair lot of oranges and miscellaneous freight.

The Lizzie Gill, now lying at our wharf, is the last arrival from St. Louis. She came out in about twenty hours, drawing scant five feet water, and reports ice theavy that in some places the boat, with all het amense power, could hardly be seen to move. She reports print

the Mohawk and her barges all right, at last, and laid up at Evans' landing, opposite Grand Tower. The Mary E. Forsyth and Luminary are not so fortunate, and were hard aground at Hat island when the Gill passed down.

The Friendship was lighting the Luminary and it is hoped she will get over without damage. The Friendship can then assist the Forsyth, if that boat does not get over without outside aid. The Beaver with a barge of coal was also aground at Vancil's.

The Quickstep was letained by heavy ice nd a large way business, and did not arrive until noon to-day. She will lay here until tomorrow, when, if the weather is favorable, she will return to Evansville. She reports the ice very heavy.

MARRIAGES.

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